



Arlington Tomorrow Foundation

Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A
101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor
Arlington, TX 76010

**MINUTES OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
ARLINGTON
January 20, 2016**

The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation Advisory Committee convened on January 20, 2016, at 11:00 a.m., at the Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A, 101 W. Abram Street, 3rd Floor, Arlington, Texas, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 551, with the following members present, to-wit:

Committee members:

Frank Alexander

Connie Kerr

Shirley Patterson

Stephen Zimmer

Absent: Mike Gerro

And

Carolyn Montesana, Executive Director

Trey Yelverton, City Manager

Jennifer Wichmann, Director, Management Resources

Mary Supino, City Secretary

Karen Roberts, Grants Coordinator

I. Call to Order:

Stephen Zimmer, Advisory Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. Approval of December 2, 2015 and December 15, 2015 Committee meeting minutes

Committee member Patterson made a motion to approve the December 2, 2015 Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

Committee member Kerr made a motion to approve the December 15, 2015 Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

III. Update on Board of Directors actions and decisions

Executive Director Carolyn Montesana provided an overview of the Board of Directors recent actions and decisions.

The Committee requested a briefing regarding River Legacy Foundation, specifically a financial overview of the endowment and capital gifts from the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation to the Park when the Committee reviews the final grant request from the River Legacy Foundation.

IV. Discussion of pending letters of inquiry and selection of final applications which will be recommended to board for final proposals and for grant consideration

Letters of Inquiry:

1. Down Syndrome Partnership of North Texas – iCan Bike Camp: \$7,000 requested.

Committee member Kerr made a motion to decline invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(DENIED)

2. Make-A-Wish Foundation of North Texas – Wish Granting: \$10,000 requested.

Committee member Patterson made a motion to approve invitation for final grant application in the modified amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Committee member Patterson and Committee member Kerr

NAYS: Committee member Zimmer and Committee member Alexander

(APPROVED)

3. WEB Dubois Child Enrichment Center – Child Enrichment Center: \$10,000 requested.

Committee member Zimmer made a motion to decline invitation for final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(DENIED)

The committee discussed and ranked the LOIs based on funding priorities in this order: Make-A-Wish Foundation, Down Syndrome Partnership, WEB Dubois.

Final Grant Applications:

1. Advocates for Special People, Inc. – Special Connexion IDD Day Habilitation: \$63,000 requested.

Committee member Zimmer made a motion to decline final grant application. Seconded by Committee member Alexander, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays. **(DENIED)**

2. Arlington Master Chorale – 2016 Spring Concert: \$15,000 requested.

Committee member Kerr made a motion to approve final grant application for \$5,000. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with following vote:

AYES: Committee member Kerr, Committee member Patterson, Committee member Alexander

NAYS: Committee member Zimmer

(APPROVED)

3. Arlington Urban Ministries – Thriving Family Program: \$37,500 requested.

Committee member Alexander made a motion to approve final grant application for \$10,000. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(APPROVED)

4. Community Partners of Tarrant County – Safety First-Arlington: \$8,000 requested.

Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve final grant application for \$5,000, but only if this money is matched by other sources and the ATF grant will be last money in. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(APPROVED)

The committee discussed and ranked the final applications based on funding priorities in this order: Urban Ministries, Community Partners, Arlington Master Chorale, Advocates for Special People.

V. Overview of general information regarding operations of local cemeteries

Jennifer Wichmann, Director, Management Resources Department, briefed the Committee on the current operations of cemeteries within Arlington.

VI. Future Agenda Items

- February 17, 2016 will be the next Advisory Committee meeting
- March Committee meeting will be moved to March 23, 2016

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:29 p.m.

Stephen Zimmer, Chair

ATTEST:

Mary W. Supino, City Secretary